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SUBJ: DETENTION OF WESTERN JOURNALISTS

REF: BANGUI 1523(BEING REPEATED NDJAMENA)

1. I HAVE CONTACTED BRITISH AMBASSADOR SAUNDERS, WHO IS SENDING A HIGH PRECEDENCE TELEGRAM TO LONDON SUGGESTING THAT THEY CONTACT AMEMBASSY LONDON TO SEND A NIACT IMMEDIATE TO AMEMBASSY NDJAMENA TO HAVE SELWYN PRINCE, BRITISH CONSUL, NORMALLY RESIDENT IN DUALA WHO CURRENTLY IN CHAD ON RELIEF MATTERS, TAKE UY 771 ETD NDJAMENA 2300 TONIGHT, ETA BANGUI 0035 JULY 22 IN ORDER SECURE RELEASE OF DETAINED BRITISH CITIZEN MICHEAL GOLDSMITH, AP CORRESPONDENT.

2. PRINCE IS UNAWARE OF DETAILS AND IN ANY CASE FCO MUST APPROVE OF SUGGESTED COURSE OF ACTION BEFORE HE PROCEEDS BANGUI. WE BELIEVE PRINCE IS NOT REPEAT NOT IN POSSESSION OF VALID CAE VISA AND HAVE REQUESTED BANGUI TO SECURE AIRPORT VISA. THEY HAVE ADVISED US THAT THEY WILL AND HE WILL BE MET BY AMERICAN VICE CONSUL FAUCHER. PRINCE CAN BE CONTACTED AND SHOULD BE ALERTED TO SITUATION THROUGH E.V. DUPUY OF SOCOPAO, BRITISH
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HONORARY CONSUL NDJAMENA. HE WOULD PROBABLY BE WELL ADVISED MAKE TENTATIVE ARRANGEMENTS CARRY OUT PROPOSED COURSE OF ACTION IN EVEN HMG APPROVES AMBASSADOR SAUNDERS' SUGGESTION.

3. PRINCE POSSESS TWO PASSPORTS:757498A ISSUED LONDON 9 JULY 1974 AND C591358 ISSUED DOUALA 29 JULY 1975. BRITISH EMBASSY HERE BELIEVES HE IS PROBABLY TRAVELING ON THE FIRST.

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